

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

Claims 5, 9-10 and 14-20 are allowed.

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Shuji Yoshizaki (REG # L011) on 23 June 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

Begin amendment to claims

Replace claim 16 as follows:

Claim 16 (Currently amended): A chemiluminescent components according to claim 5, wherein the oxidizing composition further comprises t-butanol and at least one of ethylene glycol monobutyl ether acetate and diethylene glycol monobutyl ether acetate.

Begin amendment to claims

Reasons for allowance

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicants response has been deemed persuasive in view of applicants' arguments and showings of record. The prior art does not adequately disclose or suggest compositions having acetyl tributyl citrate at an amount of 70 % by volume or more and providing the same or substantially the same luminescence. Basis for said limitations are found in the examples, sample 2 at 100% ATBC (page 4), and the compositions formulated for the test of shown in tables 3 and 4, wherein numerous data points are shown throughout the range.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel S. Metzmaier whose telephone number is (571) 272-1089. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David W. Wu can be reached on (571) 272-1114. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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